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December 21, 1959

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Miss Marie Hannon

Chicago 40, Illinois

Dear Miss Hannon:

Thank you for your letter of December 9, asking me why I never talked with the late Povl Bang-Jensen.

I follow the general policy of not commenting, one way or the other, on the accuracy, or inaccuracy, of press, radio, or other such statements concerning the CIA, or my work. However, for your information, the answer to your "simple, direct question" is equally direct and without circumvention. I did talk to him.

Yours truly,

AWD

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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Mr. Dulles:

I talked to Jim Angleton about the attached and he recommends that you not play cozy at all about identifying Bang-Jensen. He is making a quick check at the Bureau on Miss Hannon to make sure that there is nothing derogatory in their files on her and I will not release this letter until after Jim calls me back on it with the go-ahead.

Attached are two copies of the same letter, one as you wrote it and one incorporating Bang-Jensen's name as Jim recommended.

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